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Title : A Truss Structure, Structural Members Thereof, and a  
Method of Manufacture Therefor

**REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following is responsive to the Office Action mailed on or after October 18, 2004.

Attached herewith is a Letter Requesting Drawing Change Approval as well as Drawing Sheets 2, 4, and 6.

**REMARKS**

Applicant does not believe further amendment of the substitute specification is necessary inasmuch as the common numerals already described therein tie amended Figures 3, 4, 6, and 8 with Figures 1 and 2 to enable one skilled in the art to fully understand how to make and use the invention.

Early issuance of Letters Patent is now earnestly solicited.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and